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DYVCOUR PERUMEN DEVISTA

1. DEVISTA/1, ITALIAN LEFTIST-KNOWN JOURNALIST, PREPARING DEPART ON SOUTH AMERICAN REPORTING JUNKET WITH EMPHASIS ON OUR CUBAN REQUIREMENTS. EXPECTS ENTER CUBA VIA MEXICO. DEPARTURE DATE INDEFINITE BUT MIGHT BE AS EARLY AS 26 OCTOBER ABOARD ITALIAN GALILEO FERRARI'S WHICH SAILS GENOA ARRIVING LA GUAIRA, VENEZUELA, ABOUT 15 DAYS LATER.

IF ROME CONCURS,

2. REQUEST MEXI CONTACT PRIOR DEPARTURE FOR ISLAND TO AFFORD AGENT FINAL BRIEFING AND LAST MINUTE REQUIREMENTS. BECAUSE COVER FOR DEVISTA/1'S TRIP INCLUDES VISITS TO OTHER SOUTH AMERICAN COUNTRIES, AFTER CUBAN VISIT, WOULD PROPOSE MEXI PREPARE MEET AGENT ON HIS WAY OUT AND CONDUCT PRELIMINARY DEBRIEFING. REQUEST ROME CABLE MEXI APPROVAL IF ABOVE OKAY, PLUS PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION AGENT AND BACKGROUND.

3. EXPERIENCE OF DEVISTA/1 HAS BEEN IN ECONOMIC POLITICAL SOCIAL FIELDS CONSEQUENTLY RQMTS MUST PUT HIS COMPETENCE THOSE AREAS. HOWEVER, AGENT SHOULD BE AWARE OUR MORE IMPORTANT RQMTS MILITARY FIELD IN HOPES HE MAY DEVELOP ACCESS ONCE ON GROUND HAS CAPABILITY AND COVER FOR GROUND PHOTOGRAPHY.

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4. REQUEST STA FURNISH HOME WITH CONTACT PLAN INFO
5. PREPARE APPROXIMATELY FUNDING OF AGENT IF NECESSARY.
6. HOME: APPROVAL PAY DEVISTA/1 UP TO \$1,000 FOR

EXPENSES AND UP TO \$1,000 BONUS UPON RETURN HOME PROVIDED HE  
ABLE SUCCESSFULLY SATISFY OUR REQUIREMENTS. A CONSIDER HE NOT  
(IN 50% ON COSTS OF 50% TO FOLLOW.) CHARGE 4196-6300-5714  
ABLE JUSTIFY MORE THAN MONTHS INSIDE. HQS CANNOT SUPPORT HIS  
EXTENDED TOUR THROUGH SOUTH AMERICA AND CONSIDERS IF HE DESIRES  
MAKE SUCH TRIP IT BE AT CONCLUSION OF CUBAN TRIP. DEVISTA/1'S  
PLANS REACH MEXICO FROM LA GUAIBA BY RAIL AND CAR COMPLETELY  
IMPOSSIBLE. MUST PLAN FLY SINCE ROADS AND RAILS BETWEEN POINTS  
PRACTICALLY NONEXISTANT. SUGGEST HE GO MEXI QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE  
CONSISTENT GOOD COVER AND ACCOMPLISE CUBAN ASSIGNMENT FIRST.  
UPON CONCLUSION RETURN MEXI FOR DEBRIEFING AND THEN PREB VISIT  
OTHER COUNTRIES ON WAY HOME

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PRESENTATION AGENT ROME.

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(2) KEY FIGURES IN REGIME AND THEIR RELATIVE  
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(4) CASTRO'S RELATIONS WITH OLD CUBAN COMMUNISTS.

(5) POPULAR SUPPORT FOR REGIME

(6) CUBAN SUBVERSIVE ACTIVITIES IN LATIN

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(7) CUBAN RELATIONS WITH NON-COMMUNIST  
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(8) CONTENTS AND TERMS OF USSR/CUBAN AGREEMENTS  
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(9) DEVELOPMENTS IN NEW POLITICAL PARTY,  
FDRS, AND ITS ROLE IN COMMUNIZING CUBA

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C MILITARY

(1) STRENGTH AND LOYALTY OF ARMED FORCES.

(2) SOVIET TROOPS IN CUBA AND THEIR ACTIVITIES.

(3) INTENTION OF AND ENTRY OF ADDITIONAL SOPHISTICATED SOVIET MILITARY EQUIPMENT FOR SOVIET OR CUBAN UNITS.

(4) MILITARY ITEMS STORED IN CAVES AND OTHER UNDERGROUND FACILITIES

(5) TRAINING OF CUBANS TO OPERATE SOPHISTICATED SOVIET EQUIPMENT

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7. AGREE WITH HOME'S EARLIER STATEMENT THAT SUCCESS

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DETAILED RQMTS AND BRIEFING MATERIAL SOONLY.

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